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Enclosed are four approved reapportionment requests submitted to the Bureau of the Budget last Friday. In approving these requests I should like to indicate certain reactions to Apportionment No. 12.

As you are aware, the Bureau has felt for some time that socalled cold war operations in Western Europe could profitably be curtailed. This is particularly true, in our opinion, in the country which is the subject of this request. Considering the situation prevailing there today, it would appear that any additional political-psychological activity conducted by CIA should be done only through the equivalent reduction of other activities in the same field. We have approved the request submitted only because of the immediacy of the problem confronting you, recognizing that a transfer of funds within the time available would be most difficult.

It is my firm belief that increased efforts must be made to eliminate less fruitful projects in the future in the interest of keeping the over-all Agency budget within reasonable bounds. Your assistance in exercising increased vigilance towards this objective would be most helpful.

Sincerely yours,

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Robert M. Macy Chief, International Division

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Mr. Acting Comptroller Central Intelligence Agency Washington 25, D. C.

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